

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mid-Valley Special Education Cooperative Executive Advisory Board

FROM: Lisa Palese, Executive Director

DATE: August 6, 2025

RE: Student Enrollment & Classroom Openings

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide the Board with an update on our current enrollment as of August 1, 2025. As previously discussed, our overall enrollment is currently lower than anticipated based on our projections from April. While it is typical for enrollment figures at the start of the academic year to fluctuate, this year's discrepancy is notably greater than we have observed in prior years. This lower-than-expected enrollment offers us the opportunity to proactively support our member districts, particularly those experiencing an influx of new students over the summer or districts needing additional support to meet unique student needs. We will continue to monitor enrollment closely and update the Board with any significant changes.

2025-26 Student Enrollment Information										
District	Projected Students April 2025	Enrolled Students as of 7/31/25	Students Added	Students Dropped	Students Pending	Additional Information				
D101	45	41	0	4	0					
D301	98	91	0	7	0					
D302	59	56	0	3	1					
D303	46	40	0	6	0					
D304	44	36	0	8	0					
Other Districts	7	5	0	2	0					
MVSE Classrooms	299	269								
DHH Program	97	97								
Total Students	396	366	0	30	1					

Program/Location/Grade	Total Classrooms	Recommended Capacity	Total Current Students Per Classroom	Current Openings	Additional Information	
ABLE Batavia & Kaneland	2	6	5	2		
ELS K-5 Kaneland	2	6	5	1		
ELS 3-5 Kaneland	1	8	6	2		
ELS Middle School Central	1	8	6	2		
ELS High School Central	1	8	7	1		
New Directions K-1	1	6	5	1		
New Directions 1-2	1	8	6	2		
New Directions 3	1	8	3	5		
New Directions 4	1	8	8	0	This classroom is filled to capacity.	
New Directions 5-6 (Co-taught)	1	13	10	4		
New Directions 7-8	2	8	5-6	5		
New Directions HS	3	10	6	11		
New Pathways K-5 Central	3	8	6-8	2	2 openings in our K-1 classroom. The other classrooms are at capacity.	
New Pathways K-5 Kaneland	2	8	5-6	5		
New Pathways K-5 Geneva	2	8	4-6	6		
New Pathways MS Geneva	1	8	8	0	This classroom is filled, but students can join our D301 classroom.	
New Pathways MS Central	1	8	6	2		
New Pathways HS Geneva	2	8	7	2		
New Pathways HS Central	1	8	4	4		
SAFE Schools	1	8	3	5		
SAIL- Shelby	2	6-8	6-7	2	Class sizes at Shelby vary due to the size of the classroom and the needs	
SAIL- Shelby/ECC	3	9-13	12-13	6	of the students.	
SEA	3	13	8-10	12		